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NOTED FORMOSAN SUGAR EXPERT IS VISITING HAWAII

T. Yoshikawa, Director of Government Laboratory, Inspects Local Work

T. Yoshikawa, director of the government sugar laboratory at Takow, Formosa, is in Hawaii in the interest of the Japanese sugar mills. He is commissioned by Japan to investigate the recent progress in sugar milling in Hawaii, Louisiana and Cuba. He will also visit the bureau of standards in Washington and the Trade Sugar Laboratory, New York, and then proceed to Europe for further study there. His itinerary will find him returning to Japan via the Suez canal some time next year if the war permits.

The sugar scientist is making the rounds of the leading Oahu mills armed with letters of introduction from Hamilton P. Agee, director of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association experiment station.

My stay in Hawaii has been very pleasant through the courtesy of Mr. Agee," said the Japanese sugar expert. "He furnished me with information I was seeking and presented me with the latest literature on sugar production. If all the sugar men whom I meet on this trip are as courteous as he I shall have a profitable time indeed."

Yoshikawa found in B. M. Matsuzawa of the Japanese Y. M. C. A. a classmate of high school days in Tokyo. Matsuzawa says his recently arrived friend was classmate until graduation when he went to Sapporo Agricultural College of the Imperial University.

According to the figures in possession of Mr. Yoshikawa, Formosa's sugar crop this year will be upwards of 180,000 tons. The market value of the island sugar will be approximately \$20,000,000 of which \$7,000,000 will go to the government as consumption tax. It costs \$50 per ton to grow the cane, mill the sugar and ship it to the market or refineries in Japan. The margin of profit for this ensuing year should be about \$4,000,000.

Yoshikawa's work is that of sugar tester and grader. He is employed by the Japanese government to set the official grade of quality upon all sugars of the various plantations.

Although Formosa's sugar crop is beginning to assume big dimensions it will be some time before Japan can depend upon the island for her entire supply, says the sugar promoter. The sugar consumption per capita is 13 1/2 pounds annually compared with 80 pounds in Denmark. Japan's population of 55,000,000 demands an importation of Java sugar to the extent of 120,000 tons annually.

MARRIAGE

CHO-NGAU—In Honolulu, April 14, 1915, Young Suk Cho and Miss Yee Shak Ngau, Elder Abraham Fernandez of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiating; witnesses—Y. Anin and Tom Goon.

GOON-CHOOK—In Honolulu, April 14, 1915, Tom Goon and Miss Yong Chook, Elder Abraham Fernandez of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiating; witnesses—Y. Anin and Lee Choon Shong.

SHONG-LAU—In Honolulu, April 14, 1915, Lee Choong Shong and Miss Yong Kam Lau, Elder Abraham Fernandez of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiating; witnesses—Y. Anin and Tom Goon.

BIRTHS

BATES—In Honolulu, April 16, to Lieut. Paul M. Bates, U. S. N., and Mrs. Bates (nee Ray Bell), a daughter.

TORRES—In Honolulu, April 14, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Torres of Kukui street near River, a daughter.

DOAK—In Honolulu, April 13, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Doak of 711 Quarry street, a daughter.

DEATHS

KAMAKA—In Honolulu, April 14, 1915, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kamaka of Moiliili, aged 7 months.

The service between Rotterdam and London of the Batavier line of steamers has been restored. This service has been interrupted since February 18, the day Germany put into effect the submarine blockade of the British Isles.

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MAYOR LANE FOR DEVELOPING CITY WATER SUPPLIES

In Letter to Representative, He Proposes Conservation Methods

A new step toward increasing the water supply of the city and conserving artesian water was taken yesterday by Mayor Lane. Supervisor Horner and Harry Murray, general manager of the water and sewer departments.

Accompanied by a report from Murray and a letter from Mayor Lane, a measure was sent to Representative William Williamson with the request that he introduce it at once. Said Mayor Lane in his letter to Representative Williamson:

"The bill seeks to require the conservation of artesian water as used for cooling condensers, and suggests a method by which the water may be reused or turned over to the city and county. For your information I am sending you a report of the water department which has just been made to me. It shows clearly that it is not necessary to use artesian water for the purpose of cooling condensers, and shows also that the artesian level has decreased alarmingly."

The measure amends an existing statute and provides a simple method, says the officials, of doing away with a 6,000,000-gallon daily waste of artesian water. It provides that the companies using the water for condensing purposes shall install a cooling tower, or, if they wish, they may turn the water over to the city and county after its use in condensers. In the latter event the government must pay the cost of delivery.

Utilities companies who would be affected by the bill should be enacted are said to be unopposed to it. The Hawaiian Electric Company has on several occasions offered its waste water to the government on the same condition as outlined in the bill.

Murray's report to the mayor, which brought forth the bill, reads as follows:

"A question of utmost importance which has arisen graphically in the last few days should be called to your attention at this time while the legislature is in session. This question concerns the greater conservation of the artesian water supply of the island.

We are confronted with a shortage of water in Nuuanu valley. It is necessary to operate one more pump to supply a portion of this section which is ordinarily supplied by the Nuuanu reservoir. And while this condition exists, between six and seven million gallons of artesian water is going to waste daily after being used for the purpose of cooling condensers.

The heavy tax upon the artesian water supply is beginning to show its effects. Mr. G. K. Larrison, superintendent of hydrography, (U. S.) has stated that the artesian head has dropped 14 feet in the last 30 years, or an average of six inches a year. Mr. Larrison sees something alarming in this steady drop, and the only explanation of it is that we are gradually exhausting our supply of such water.

The fact is that we are drawing on our artesian water unnecessarily. It is not necessary that it be used for cooling condensers, or, if used, that it should be wasted afterwards. Condensers can be cooled by use of sea water. I think the companies which are now using the artesian water should be obliged either to use sea water instead of the other, or to put up cooling tanks that the artesian water may be re-used. There is another suggestion in this connection: it is that some arrangement be made with the companies for the water after being used for condensing purposes to be turned over to the city and county upon some satisfactory arrangement.

It would probably work out to advantage if the legislature would pass a measure requiring water used for cooling condensers to be put in a tank for re-use, thus doing away with this great waste, or to deliver the water over to the city and county for its use. This department has no intention or desire to deprive the owners of artesian wells of any reasonable use of them.

JOLLY DANCE AT SEASIDE TOMORROW

Come out to the Seaside hotel—with a friend—tomorrow evening and enjoy the dancing to splendid music. No special invitations.—Adv.

Mrs. Edith McCormick of Chicago, who is an honorary citizen of Parma, Italy, has offered a prize of \$4000 for the best opera written by an Italian this year.

Just after he was held without bail on a charge of assaulting a 17-year-old girl, Morris O'Rourke walked out of a courtroom at Haverstraw, N. Y., and escaped in a crowd outside.

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CHINESE GUARD MEMBERS ADMIT FALSE PAPERS

Ah Ling, also known as Charles Ma, a Chinese member of the national guard, while witness for the prosecution in an action against a wholesale liquor dealer at district court this morning, admitted the falsification of a document which may lead to an investigation of his joining the service when the company was recruited some time ago.

In attempting to establish the age of the witness, who alleged that he was 18 years old when furnished a gallon of wine a few days ago by the Kwong Fat Company, former Judge W. J. Robinson, representing the Chinese wholesaler, produced an application from Ah Ling, said to be improperly signed, giving the young man's age as 20 years. Ling was asked regarding the discrepancy and admitted that he had filled out the document in order that his application would be accepted. He further said that he had forged the name of his mother to the application blank. Lieut. Humphreys of the national guard, called to the stand, identified the application as one presented by Ling and now on file in the records of the national guard.

The admission of the Chinese and the presentation of the application lost the case to the prosecution. Kwong Fat was found not guilty and was discharged.

The charge grew out of a mad and merry soiree in which a number of Chinese and Hawaiian boys participated some weeks ago at Kapiolani park. The boys were found guilty of being drunk, and License Inspector Fennell ran down the parties responsible for selling the liquor.

Austin Colgate, a New Jersey state senator, and head of the Colgate soap and perfumery company, announced his candidacy for governor of New Jersey next fall.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY FINDS 12 BILLS IN WEEK

Believed Tribunal Today Started Investigation of Cases Dealing With Opium

Nine true bills and two no bills were returned by the federal grand jury today in a partial report to Judge Charles F. Clemons, making the second partial report to be presented by the tribunal since it commenced work a week ago.

The indictments have been placed on secret file. Bench warrants for the arrest of the defendants named in the indictments will be issued by the clerk's office this afternoon. Marshal J. J. Smiddy expects to be able to make a return tomorrow morning, at which time all or a part of the defendants may be arraigned.

District Attorney Jeff McCann spoke favorably of the work of the grand jury today. With the last report, it has returned 12 true bills and five no bills since convening Monday. Robert J. Pratt is foreman.

It is believed that today the grand jury commenced an investigation of the large number of opium cases now pending in federal court as the result of persistent raids made by the marshal and his deputies. Eighteen or 20 of this class of cases are awaiting disposition. In court yesterday Mr. McCann stated that there are many to be investigated by the grand jury.

Marshal Smiddy, Deputy Marshal Albert Harris, Arthur B. Ingalls and Deputy Clerks Foster Davis and William L. Rosa were called into the jury chamber. Mr. Ingalls, who is in the local customs service, recently qualified before Commissioner George S. Curry as an opium expert.

The members of the grand jury have been excused until 9 o'clock Monday morning.

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